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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE: PCT/EP02/02273  
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Priority Date Claimed: March 13, 2001  
Applicant: Hemming, et al.  
Application No.: 10/663,096  
Confirmation No.: 1646  
Title: DEVICE FOR DISCHARGING A SPREADABLE MATERIAL

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Missing Parts  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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on the merits: